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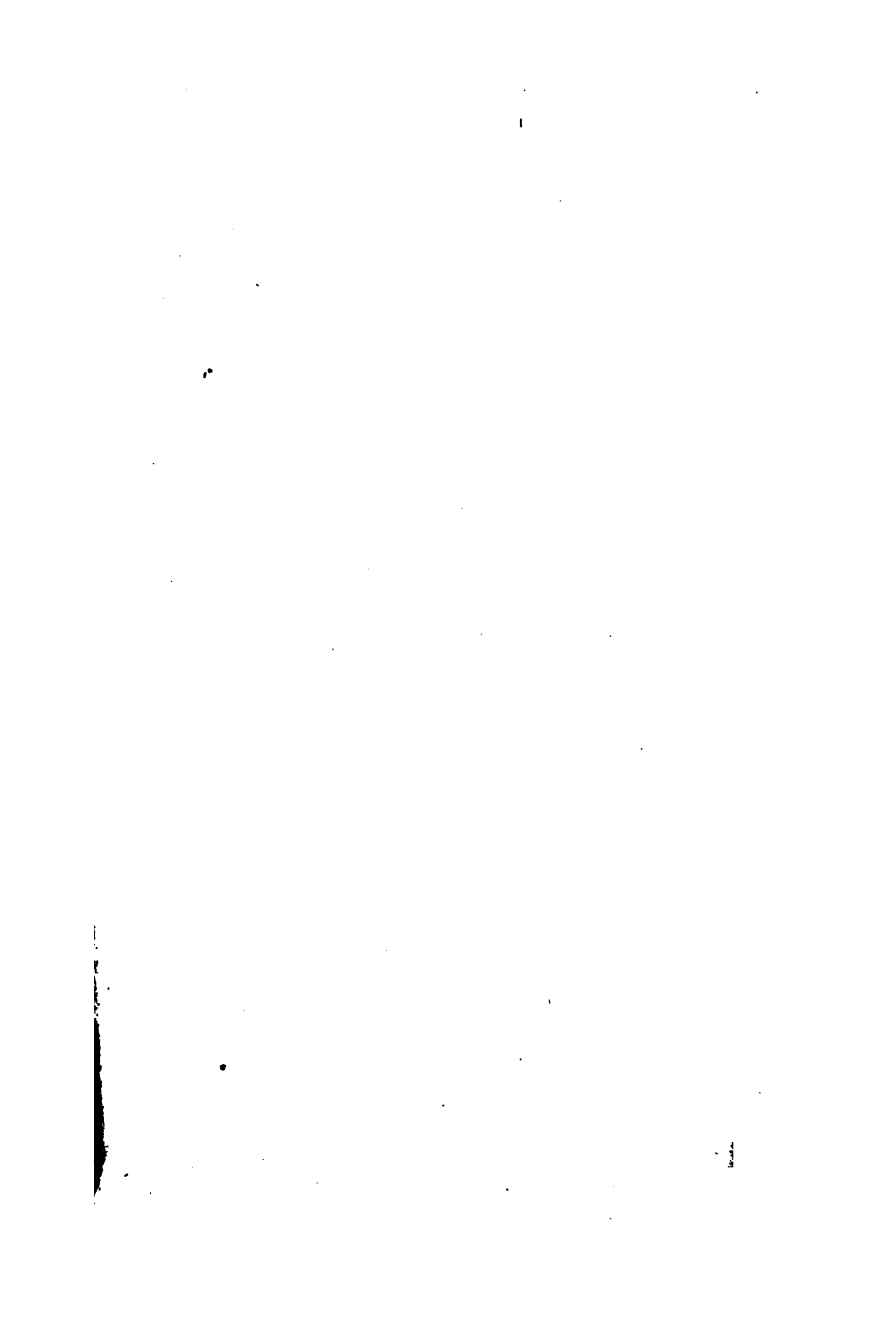






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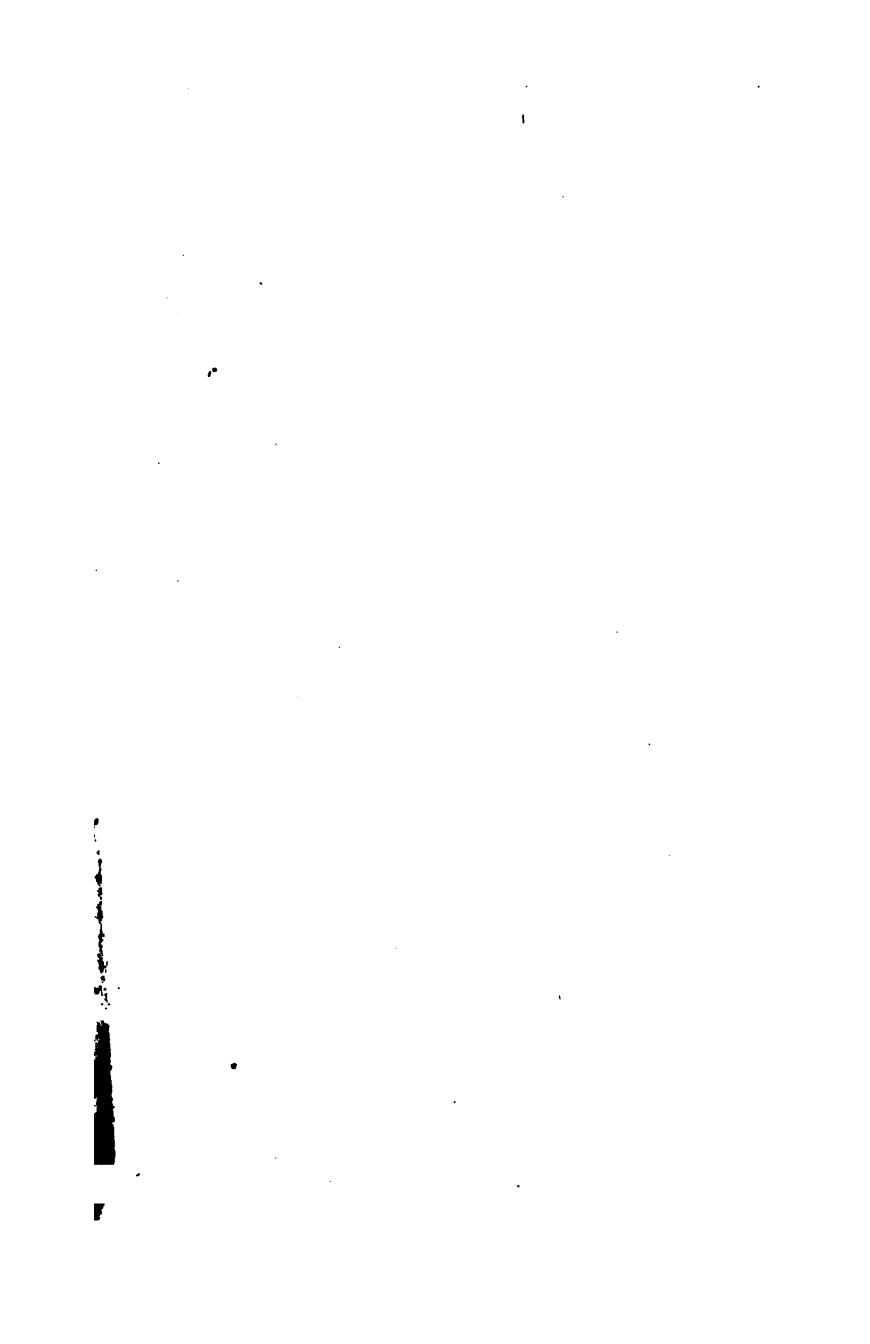






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A
MANUAL OF DEVOTIONS

FOR
SEA-FARING MEN.

"ASK, AND IT SHALL BE GIVEN YOU; SEEK, AND YE SHALL FIND; KNOCK, AND IT SHALL BE OPENED UNTO YOU."

St. Matthew, vii. 7.

"THUS SAITH THE LORD THAT CREATED THEE . . . , FEAR NOT: FOR I HAVE REDEEMED THEE, I HAVE CALLED THEE BY THY NAME; THOU ART MINE. WHEN THOU PASSEST THROUGH THE WATERS, I WILL BE WITH THEE; AND THROUGH THE RIVERS, THEY SHALL NOT OVERFLOW THEE . . . FOR I AM THE LORD THY GOD, THE HOLY ONE OF ISRAEL, THY SAVIOUR."

Isaiah xliii. 1-3.

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TO THE
FISHERMEN AND SAILORS OF BRIXHAM,
FOR WHOSE USE IT WAS COMPILED,

This Manual

IS DEDICATED WITH MANY PRAYERS FOR THEIR
WELL-BEING HERE AND HEREAFTER.

PREFACE.

No one stands in greater need than the mariner of the helps and consolations of religion, exposed, as he is, to hardship and danger while at sea, and to coarse and violent temptations on shore. At the same time, no one stands at a greater disadvantage in spiritual things. Entering upon his calling, for the most part, at an early age, he is too often subject in it to the contagion of bad example, while he is necessarily shut off, for the greater part of his time, from the direct influence of the Church, from her sacraments, her services, and pastoral care.

Still, however great these disadvantages may be, they form, of course, no excuse for neglecting God, as they are no real bar to receiving His blessing. He Who, during His sojourn in the world, hallowed a sea-faring life by sharing its dangers on the sea of Galilee; He Who chose fishermen to be of the number of His Apostles, and made their perils and labours the occasions of some of the mightiest of His miracles, is still at hand, ready to enter into the difficulties of such a calling, and to sympathize with those who feel them. Great as the loss must always be, to be deprived of the ordinances of His Church, He can make up for this, and will do so to all who seek Him earnestly, and make the best use of whatever blessings and opportunities they have.

PREFACE.

Prayer at least is a means of grace within the reach of every sea-faring man, and for his use or neglect of it he will therefore have to account to God at the Judgment Day. The present little book, which is intended to afford help in performing this duty, has been compiled in the belief that there are many who feel their need of some guide to teach them how to pray, and who would thankfully use a 'form of sound words,' if it were provided for them.

It will be observed that short services have been provided for the use of the whole ship's company, be it large or small, as members of one family. Masters of vessels are urged to give these at least a fair trial, remembering the responsibility which rests upon them, and the influence which their example must have for good or evil, upon those whom God, in His Providence, has placed under their charge.

A copy of the book should be provided for each of the crew, to enable him to join in the responses at the public services, as well as to use the private devotions. A few hymns have been added, which might be sung in company, or, where this is impossible, might be learned by heart, and then either added to the private prayers, or repeated at other times, e. g. during a night watch.

May God bless this manual to the use of those into whose hands it may fall, and teach them not to rest contented with *words* of prayer, but to strive continually

"To live more nearly as they pray."

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Morning.

"I laid me down and slept, and rose up again, for the Lord sustained me." *Psalm iii. 5.*

WHEN you kneel down, remember that you are in the presence of Almighty God, of Him "to Whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from Whom no secrets are hid;" that God the Father is ready to listen to you, God the Son at His Right Hand ready to plead for you and offer up your prayers, God the Holy Spirit ready to help you, and teach you how, to pray.

Remember that this *may* be your last day in the world, and try to pray as you would if you *knew* it to be the last for certain.

Remember that you will have to give account to God hereafter for the manner in which you spend this day; that, in the course of it, you will be beset by temptations to sin, into which

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you will fall unless you are held back by God's grace, and that prayer is one way by which we may obtain that grace from Him.

O God the Father, Who didst make me, and send Thy Son to redeem me,

Have mercy upon me.

O God the Son, Who didst die upon the Cross for me, Who now livest to intercede for me,

Have mercy upon me.

O God the Holy Ghost, Who didst regenerate me, through whom alone I can be holy,

Have mercy upon me.

O Holy, Blessed, and Glorious Trinity, Three Persons and one God,

Have mercy upon me.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

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ALmighty God, Who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves; keep me, and all for whom I am bound to pray, both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended, this day, from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HAVE mercy upon me, O Lord, of Thy great goodness, remember not my past sins, but pardon them for Thy dear Son's sake, and grant that they may never rise up in judgment against me. Defend me throughout this day, and give me grace to spend it in Thy service. Keep me from my besetting sins (especially from ——) and, if I fall into temptation, make a way for me to escape, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O SAVIOUR of the world, Who by Thy Cross and precious Blood hast redeemed me, save me and help me, I humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with me now and evermore. Amen.

“ His compassions fail not, they are new every morning.”

Lamentations iii. 22, 23.

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Ebening.

“ Try me, O God, and seek the ground of my heart : prove me and examine my thoughts. Look well if there be any way of wickedness in me : and lead me in the way everlasting.” *Psalm cxxxix.* 23, 24.

Ask yourself, remembering that you are in God’s presence, and that He knows all your thoughts, words, and actions ;—

Have I left undone anything which I ought to have done to-day ?

Have I done anything which I should wish undone at the day of judgment ?

Have I given way to bad thoughts ?

Have I spoken any bad words ?

Have I done any bad action ?

Have I watched against my besetting sins ?

Has this day been a step towards heaven or towards hell ?

¶ *Then confess your sins to God, saying ;—*

ALMIGHTY God, Who hast promised to forgive all those who truly repent, have mercy upon me for Thy dear Son’s sake ; pardon and

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deliver me from all my sins, especially those which I have this day committed, and make me truly penitent for them ; give me grace to amend, and to shew forth the fruits of penitence in my future life, through Jesus Christ my only Lord and Saviour. Amen.

Lord, have mercy upon me ;

Christ, have mercy upon me ;

Lord, have mercy upon me.

OUR Father, Which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil ; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

O God, make speed to save me ;

O Lord, make haste to help me.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

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LIGHTEN my darkness, I beseech Thee, O Lord, and by great mercy defend me from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of Thine only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

O LORD, have mercy upon all those for whom I am bound to pray, especially upon the Queen, the Bishops and Pastors of Thy Church, upon all my relations and god-children, and upon those who are in danger and affliction. Give them all things that be needful both for their souls and bodies, and keep us all in the unity of the Spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ALMIGHTY God, I thank Thee for all the blessings Thou hast given me, especially for those which I have received this day; above all, I bless Thee for the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory; grant that I may shew my thankfulness for all these mercies by striving daily to love Thee more and more, *and to shew my love by obedience to Thy holy*

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will ; through Jesus Christ, to Whom with Thee
and the Holy Ghost be all honour and glory,
now and ever. Amen.

GOD the Father bless me, God the Son defend
me, God the Holy Ghost preserve me this
night and for evermore. Amen.

“ Blessed are those servants whom the Lord, when He
cometh, shall find watching.” *S. Luke xii. 37.*

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Morning.

“ My voice shalt Thou hear betimes, O Lord : early in the morning will I direct my prayer unto Thee, and will look up.” *Psalm* v. 3.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers ; neither take thou vengeance of our sins ; spare us, good Lord, spare Thy people, whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever.

Spare us, good Lord.

OUR Father, which art in heaven ; Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, *but deliver us from evil.* For Thine is the king-

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dom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

O Lord, open Thou our lips ;

And our mouth shall shew forth Thy praise.

¶ *Then shall be sung an Hymn (see page 21.)*

¶ *Then shall follow one or more of these three Collects.*

¶ *For Collects to be used in this place on Sundays, see page 35.*

LORD, we beseech Thee, grant Thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow Thee, the only God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LORD of all power and might, Who art the Author and Giver of all good things ; graft in our hearts the love of Thy Name ; increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of Thy great mercy keep us in the same ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings with Thy most gracious favour, and further us with Thy continual help ; that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in Thee, we may glorify Thy holy Name, and finally, by Thy mercy, obtain everlasting life ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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O THOU, that art the hope of all the ends of the earth, and of them that remain in the broad sea, defend us in all the dangers of our calling, and teach us to be always mindful how suddenly we may be called away to meet Thee ; bless all our labours, and make us remember that they are done in Thy presence, and that all success is a gift from Thee ; for Jesus Christ's sake our Lord. Amen.

Praised be the Name of the Lord,
From the rising up of the sun to the going down of the same.

It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord,
And to sing praises unto Thy Name, O Most High.

To shew forth Thy loving-kindness in the morning,
And Thy faithfulness every night.

God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost, have mercy upon us, save us now and evermore. Amen.

“ Let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. Let us walk honestly, as in the day.”

Romans xiii. 12, 13.

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Evening.

“ Abide with us : for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent.” *S. Luke xxiv. 29.*

¶ *A general Confession to be said by all, kneeling.*

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father ; We have erred, and strayed from Thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done ; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done ; And there is no health in us. But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare Thou them, O God, which confess their faults. Restore Thou them that are penitent ; according to Thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake ; that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Thy holy Name. Amen.

Lord, have mercy upon us ;

Christ, have mercy upon us ;

Lord, have mercy upon us.

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O GOD, Who hast prepared for them that love Thee, such good things as pass man's understanding ; pour into our hearts such love toward Thee, that we, loving Thee above all things, may obtain Thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech Thee graciously to behold this Thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the cross, Who now liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

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O GOD, the King of glory, Who hast exalted Thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto Thy kingdom in heaven ; we beseech Thee, leave us not comfortless ; but send to us Thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, world without end. Amen.

Let us praise the Name of the Lord,

And offer unto God thanksgivings.

Unto Thee do we give thanks, O Lord ;

Yea unto Thee, O God, do we give thanks.

HOLY, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come. Worthy art Thou, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power, For Thou hast created all things, and for Thy pleasure they are and were created ; Thou, in Thy mercy, hast preserved us through the dangers of this day, and enabled us to meet together again to praise Thee. Great and marvellous are Thy works, Lord God Almighty ; just and true are Thy ways, O King of saints. Worthy is the Lamb that was slain,

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to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing, for He hath redeemed us to God by His blood.

Blessing and honour, glory and power, be unto Him that sitteth upon the Throne and unto the Lamb for ever. Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all, evermore. Amen.

“Behold, I come quickly; and My reward is with Me, to give every man according as his work shall be.”

Revelation xxii. 12.

HYMNS.

“ Sing unto the Lord a new song, and His praise from the end of the earth, ye that go down to the sea, and all that is therein.”

Isaiah xlii. 10.

Sunday Morning.

JESUS Christ is risen to-day, Alleluia !
Our triumphant holiday, Alleluia !
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia !
Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia !

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia !
Unto Christ our heavenly King, Alleluia !
Who endured the cross, and grave, Alleluia !
Sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia !

But the pain which He endured, Alleluia !
Our salvation hath procured, Alleluia !
Now above the sky He's King, Alleluia !
Where the angels ever sing, Alleluia !

Sunday Evening.

O HOLY Ghost, into our minds
Send down Thy heavenly light ;
Kindle our hearts with fervent zeal
To serve God day and night.

HYMNS.

Our weakness strengthen and confirm,
For, Lord, Thou know'st us frail ;
That neither devil, world, nor flesh
Against us may prevail.

Be Thou, O Lord, through all our life,
Our Leader and our Guide,
That we escape the snares of sin,
Nor ever from Thee slide.

And when we stand before God's throne,
Grant us, O Lord, we pray,
That Thou shalt be our Comforter
At that last dreadful day.

Glory to God, the Father be,
And to His blessed Son,
And to the Spirit of His Grace,—
Co-equal Three in One.

Monday Morning.

HOLY, Holy, Holy ! Lord God Almighty !
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee ;
Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty,
God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity !

HYMNS.

Holy, Holy, Holy ! all the Saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim, and Seraphim, falling down before Thee,
Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be !

Holy, Holy, Holy ! though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,
Only Thou art holy ; there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in love, in power, and purity !

Holy, Holy, Holy ! Lord God Almighty !
All Thy works shall praise Thy Name, in earth, and
sky, and sea ;
Holy, Holy, Holy ! Merciful and Mighty !
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity !

Monday Evening.

HOLY Jesu ! Saviour blest !
As, by passion strong possést,
Through this world of sin we stray,
Thou to guide us art the Way.

Holy Jesu ! when the night
Of error dims our clouded sight,
Through the mists of sin to shine,
Thou dost rise, the Truth divine.

HYMNS.

Holy Jesu ! when our power
Fails us in temptation's hour,
All unequal to the strife,
Thou to aid us art the Life.

Who would reach his heavenly home,
Who would to the Father come,
And His glorious Presence see,
Jesu he must come by Thee.

Channel of the Father's grace !
Image of the Father's Face !
Saviour blest ! Incarnate Son !
With the Father Thou art one. Amen.

Tuesday Morning.

ALL glory to the Father be,
Who made the earth, and sky, and sea,
Gave life to every living thing,
Created man their earthly king ;
Then gave His Son for man to die ;
Thee evermore we glorify !

All glory to the Son, Who came
Clothed in our flesh and mortal frame ;
Who bare our sins, vouchsafed to give
Himself to die, that we might live ;
Is perfect God and Man in One :
All praise to Thee, Incarnate Son !

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All glory to the Holy Ghost,
Who on the Day of Pentecost
From heaven to earth in mercy came,
Descending as in tongues of flame,
The promised Comforter and Guide,
Through Whom our souls are sanctified.

Three Persons but one God ! Whose grace
Has formed and saves our human race,
With joyful hearts and lips to Thee,
We sing this mighty mystery ;
Thy Holy Name we magnify,
O Trinity in Unity ! Amen.

Tuesday Evening.

HOLY Jesu ! in Whose Name
Thou hast bid Thy servants claim
Of the Father's love, to grant
All the good they ask or want ;
Trusting in Thy Name alone
Draw we near Thy Father's Throne.

Son of Man ! To Whom is given
With the Majesty of Heaven
For mankind to mediate ;
Sharer Thou of man's estate,
Hear us when to Thee we plead,
For Thy flock to intercede.

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Son of God ! to Whom of right,
Sharer of Thy Father's might,
Sole, Adorable, and True,
Empire o'er the World is due ;
Hear us, when on Thee we call,
For Thy blessing, Lord of all !

Thou hast joyful tidings brought ;
Thine own arm salvation wrought ;
May we follow and adore
Thee our Saviour more and more :
Guide us with Thy steadfast love
To Thy home in heaven above.

Wednesday Morning.

SAVIOUR, when in dust to Thee
Low we bow the bending knee ;
When, repentant, to the skies
Scarce we lift our weeping eyes ;
Oh, by all Thy pains and woe,
Suffered once for man below,
Bending from Thy Throne on high,
Hear our solemn Litany.

By Thy birth and early years,
By Thy human grief and fears,
By Thy fasting and distress
In the lonely wilderness ;

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By Thy victory in the hour
Of the subtle tempter's power ;
Jesu ! look with pitying eye :
Hear our solemn Litany.

By Thine agony of grief,
By Thy pleading for relief,
By the purple robe of scorn,
By Thy wounds, Thy crown of thorn,
Cross and Passion, pangs and cries,
By Thy perfect Sacrifice ;
Jesu ! look with pitying eye :
Hear our solemn Litany.

By Thy deep expiring groan,
By the sealed sepulchral stone,
By Thy triumph o'er the grave,
By Thy mighty power to save,
Mighty God ! Ascended Lord !
To Thy Throne in Heaven restored,
Prince and Saviour hear the cry
Of our solemn Litany.

Wednesday Evening.

O PERFECT Man and perfect God !
'Tis not for us to know
How Thy pure Soul and Body felt
Temptation, pain, and woe.

HYMNS.

Our faith is weak : O Light of Light !
Clear Thou our clouded view ;
That Son of man, and Son of God,
We give Thee honour due.

O Son of man ! Thyself hast proved
Our trials and our tears,
Life's thankless toil and scant repose,
Death's agonies and fears :

Incarnate God ! in glory raised
Thou sittest on Thy Throne :
Thence by Thy pleadings and Thy grace,
Still succouring Thine own.

Brother and Saviour, Friend and Judge !
To Thee, O Christ, is given
To bind upon Thy crown the names
Most blest in earth and heaven.

Thursday Morning.

GLORY to our mighty King !
Crowns unfading wreath His head ;
Jesus is the Name we sing,
Jesus risen from the dead ;
Jesus conqueror o'er the grave,
Lord Almighty now to save.

HYMNS.

Jesus is gone up on high ;
Angels come to meet their King ;
Shouts triumphant rend the sky,
While the Victor's praise they sing.
Open now, ye heavenly gates !
See, the King of Glory waits !

Now behold Him high enthroned,
Glory beaming from His face ;
By adoring angels owned,
God of holiness and grace.
Oh for hearts and tongues to sing
Glory to our mighty King !

Jesu, on Thy people shine ;
Warm our hearts and tune our tongues ;
That with angels we may join,
Share their bliss and swell their songs ;
Glory, honour, praise, and power,
Lord, be Thine for evermore.

Thursday Evening.

O CHRIST ! our hope, our heart's desire,
Redemption's only spring !
Creator of the world art Thou,
Its Saviour, and its King.

HYMNS.

How vast the mercy and the love,
Which laid our sins on Thee,
And led Thee to a cruel death,
To set Thy people free !

But now the bonds of death are burst,
The ransom hath been paid ;
And Thou art on Thy Father's throne,
In robes of light arrayed.

O may Thy mighty love prevail,
Our sinful souls to spare !
O may we come before Thy Throne,
And find acceptance there.

O Christ be Thou our present joy,
Our future great reward !
Our only glory may it be,
To glory in the Lord !

Friday Morning.

Rock of Ages ! cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee ;
Let the Water and the Blood,
From Thy riven side which flow'd,
Be of sin the double cure,
Cleanse me from its guilt and power.

HYMNS.

Nothing in my hand I bring,
Only to Thy Cross I cling.
Could my tears for ever flow,
Could my zeal no languor know,
All for sin could not atone ;
Thou must save and Thou alone.

While I draw this fleeting breath,
When mine eyelids close in death,
When I rise to worlds unknown,
See Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of ages ! cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee.

Friday Evening.

Son of Man ! to Thee we cry ;
By the holy mystery
Of Thy dwelling here on earth,
By Thy pure and holy birth,—
Lord, Thy presence let us see,
Thou our Light and Saviour be !

Lamb of God ! to Thee we cry ;
By Thy bitter agony,
By Thy pangs to us unknown,
By Thy Spirit's parting groan,—
Lord, Thy presence let us see,
Thou our Light and Saviour be !

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HYMNS.

Prince of life ! to Thee we cry ;
By Thy glorious majesty,
By Thy triumph o'er the grave,
Who alone art strong to save,—
Lord, Thy presence let us see,
Thou our Light and Saviour be !

Lord of glory ! God most high !
Man exalted to the sky !
With Thy love our bosoms fill,
Prompt us to perform Thy will ;
Then Thy glory we shall see,
Thou wilt bring us home to Thee.

Saturday Morning.

God of mercy ! God of grace !
Show the brightness of Thy face ;
Shine upon us, Saviour, shine,
Fill Thy Church with light divine ;
And Thy saving health extend
Unto earth's remotest end.

Let the people praise Thee, Lord ;
Let Thy love on all be pour'd ;
Let the nations shout and sing
Glory to their Saviour King,
At Thy feet their tribute pay,
And Thy holy will obey.

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Let the people praise Thee, Lord ;
Earth shall then her fruits afford,—
God to man His blessing give,
Man to God devoted live ;
All below, and all above,
One in joy and light and love.

Saturday Evening.

SUN of my soul ! Thou Saviour dear,
It is not night if Thou be near :
O may no earthborn cloud arise
To hide Thee from Thy servant's eyes.

When the soft dews of kindly sleep
My wearied eyelids gently steep,
Be my last thought, how sweet to rest
For ever on my Saviour's breast.

Abide with me from morn till eve,
For without Thee I cannot live ;
Abide with me when night is nigh,
For without Thee I dare not die.

If some poor wandering child of Thine
Have spurned to-day the voice divine,
Now, Lord, the gracious work begin ;
Let him lie down no more in sin.

HYMNS.

Watch by the sick : enrich the poor
With blessings from Thy boundless store :
Be every mourner's sleep to-night
Like infant's slumbers, pure and light.

Come near and bless us when we wake,
Ere through the world our way we take :
Till in the ocean of Thy love
We lose ourselves in heaven above.


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For Sunday Morning.

O God the Father, Who didst, as on this day, create the light, and enlighten the world ; do Thou send the true light into our hearts, that we may at length attain to the light of everlasting life. Amen.

O God the Son, Who didst, as on this day, rise again from the dead ; we meekly beseech Thee so to raise us from the death of sin unto the life of righteousness, that, at the last day, we may rise to meet Thee in glory, when Thou comest into Thine eternal kingdom. Amen.

O God the Holy Ghost, Who didst, as on this day, descend upon the apostles ; grant that we, who have been born again by Thee, may, by Thy guidance, have a right judgment in all things, and evermore rejoice in Thy holy comfort. Amen.



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O Holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, Three Persons, and One God, have mercy upon us, and grant that we may both keep holy this Thy day of rest, and also may attain to Thine everlasting rest in the world to come. Amen.

O LORD Jesu Christ, Who hast declared that where two or three are gathered together in Thy Name, there Thou art in the midst of them, be present, we beseech Thee, with us. We acknowledge that, when we have been able to attend the worship of Thy Church, we have too often been inattentive and careless; grant that, if we are again allowed to join in Thy services, we may do so with more reverence and godly fear, and be pleased now to offer up our imperfect prayers and praises to God the Father, to Whom with Thee, and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

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A Litany to be said on Sundays, Wednesdays,
and Fridays.

O God the Father of heaven ; have mercy
upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world ; have
mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the
Father and the Son : have mercy upon us miser-
able sinners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, Three
Persons and One God : have mercy upon us
miserable sinners.

Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the
offences of our forefathers ; neither take Thou
vengeance of our sins : spare us, good Lord,
spare Thy people, whom Thou hast redeemed
with Thy most precious blood, and be not angry
with us for ever.

Spare us, good Lord.

O Thou, Who in the midst of a tempest,
didst appear walking on the sea, and, when
Thine apostles were affrighted, saidst, " It is I,

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be not afraid :” grant that in all our dangers and troubles we may be conscious of Thy presence, and so be delivered from all our fear.

O Thou, Who didst stretch forth Thine hand to save Thine apostle, St. Peter, sinking in the water : strengthen us, we beseech Thee, that our faith fail not, and stretch forth Thy hand to help us in all the dangers of the sea.

O Thou, Who didst still the raging of the sea, saying, “Peace, be still,” so that suddenly there was a great calm ; keep us, we pray Thee, from all perils of the sea, from storm, and shipwreck, and sudden death.

O Thou, Who didst call fishermen to be of the number of Thy apostles, so that, leaving all they had, they willingly followed Thee : grant that we too, being called by Thy holy Word, may forthwith give up ourselves obediently to fulfil Thy holy commandments.

O Thou, Who didst twice vouchsafe to send a miraculous draught of fishes to Thy disciples : bless us, we beseech Thee, in all our doings, and teach us to look on all we gain as Thy gift, for which we must one day account to Thee.

O Thou, Who didst liken Thy Church to a *draw-net* cast into the sea, which brought up

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fishes of every kind : of Thy mercy grant that, in the last day, when good and bad are separated on the shore, we may be among those blessed ones who shall enter into Thine eternal kingdom.

O Thou, Who didst call Thine apostle, St. Paul, to suffer many perils on the sea, thrice to suffer shipwreck, and a night and a day to be in the deep : grant that, like him, we may bear patiently all the hardships and dangers of this mortal life, remembering that these things last " but for a moment," while the reward held out to us by Thee is eternal.

O Thou, at Whose second coming the sea shall give up her dead : grant that that day may be constantly in our thoughts, that we may watch for its coming, and prepare ourselves to meet Thee, so that, if it be Thy will that we should perish by the sea, we may then arise to everlasting life.

From all evil and mischief ; from sin, from the crafts and assaults of the devil ; from Thy wrath, and from everlasting damnation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all blindness of heart ; from pride,

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~~vain-glory~~, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred,
~~and malice~~, and all uncharitableness,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From fornication, and all other deadly sin;
and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh,
and the devil,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of Thy holy Incarnation; by
Thy holy Nativity and Circumcision; by Thy
Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By Thine Agony and bloody Sweat; by Thy
Cross and Passion; by Thy precious Death and
Burial; by Thy glorious Resurrection and Ascen-
sion; and by the coming of the Holy Ghost,

Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation, in all time of
our wealth; in the hour of death, and in the day
of Judgment,

Good Lord, deliver us.

Son of God: we beseech Thee to hear us.

Son of God: we beseech Thee to hear us.

O Lamb of God: that takest away the sins
of the world,

Grant us Thy peace.

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O Christ, hear us.

O Christ, hear us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father, Which art in heaven; Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation: But deliver us from evil. Amen.

O SAVIOUR of the world, Who by Thy Cross and precious Blood hast redeemed us, save us, and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.

¶ Prayer on going ashore.

O LORD God, Thou hast preserved me from many dangers in the great deep, preserve me now from the dangers and temptations

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that await me on shore. Thou knowest my weakness and sinfulness, O send me Thy Holy Spirit to guide and strengthen me, and keep me now from all sin and wickedness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Prayer on embarking.*

LORD, I commit myself now into Thine hands. The sea is Thine, and Thou hast made it; O save and defend me in all its dangers, and, if it be Thy good pleasure, bring me safely to land again, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

¶ *Prayers to be used in storms at sea.*

O GOD, Who, when Thy apostle St. Peter walked on the waves, savedst him with Thy right hand, and didst deliver his fellow apostle St. Paul the third day from shipwreck on the open sea; stretch forth Thy right hand to save and defend us, bring us safely into the haven where we would be, and mercifully grant that we, and all Thy servants, may attain unto the haven of everlasting rest; Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, world without end. Amen.

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O MOST powerful and glorious Lord God, at Whose command the winds blow, and lift up the waves of the sea, and Who stillest the rage thereof; we, Thy creatures, but miserable sinners, do, in this our great distress, cry unto Thee for help: save, Lord, or else we perish. We confess, when we have been safe, and seen all things quiet about us, we have forgot Thee, our God, and refused to hearken to the still voice of Thy Word, and to obey Thy commandments. But now, we see how terrible Thou art in all Thy works of wonder, the great God to be feared above all: and therefore we adore Thy divine Majesty, acknowledging Thy power, and imploring Thy goodness. Help, Lord, and save us for Thy mercy's sake, in Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. Amen.

LORD be merciful to us sinners, and save us for Thy mercy's sake.

Thou art the great God to be feared above all: O save us that we may praise Thee.

Thou that stillest the raging of the sea, hear us, and save us that we perish not.

O blessed Saviour, that didst save Thy disciples ready to perish in a storm, hear us, and save us, we beseech Thee.

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Out of the deep have I called unto Thee,
O Lord; Lord, hear my voice.

O let Thine ears consider well the voice of my
complaint.

If Thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what
is done amiss; O Lord, who may abide it?

For there is mercy with Thee: therefore
shalt Thou be feared.

† *Collects of Thanksgiving after a storm.*

O MOST blessed and glorious Lord God, Who
art of infinite goodness and mercy; we,
Thy poor creatures (whom Thou hast made and
preserved, holding our souls in life, and now
rescuing us out of the jaws of death), humbly
present ourselves again before Thy Divine Ma-
jesty, to offer a sacrifice of praise and thanks-
giving, for that Thou heardest us when we
called in our trouble, and didst not cast out our
prayer: even when we gave up all for lost,
Thou didst mercifully look upon us, and wonder-
fully command a deliverance; for which we do
now give all praise and glory to Thy holy Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O MOST mighty and gracious God, Thy
mercy is over all Thy works, but in special

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manner hath been extended towards us, whom Thou hast so wonderfully and powerfully defended. Thou hast shewed us terrible things, and wonders in the deep, that we might see how powerful and gracious a God Thou art; how able and ready to help them that trust in Thee. Thou hast shewed us how both winds and seas obey Thy command; that we may learn even from them, hereafter to obey Thy voice, and to do Thy will. We therefore bless and glorify Thy Name, for this Thy mercy in saving us, when we were ready to perish. And, we beseech Thee, make us as truly sensible now of Thy mercy, as we were then of the danger; and give us hearts always ready to shew our thankfulness, not only by words, but also by our lives, in being more obedient to Thy holy commandments. Continue, we beseech Thee, this Thy goodness to us; that we, whom Thou hast saved, may serve Thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of our life, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

¶ *Hymn and Thanksgiving after a dangerous tempest.*

O COME let us sing unto the Lord, for He is gracious, and His mercy endureth for ever.

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;

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let the redeemed of the Lord say so : whom He hath delivered from the merciless rage of the sea.

The Lord is gracious and full of compassion ; slow to anger and of great mercy.

He hath not dealt with us according to our sins ; neither rewarded us according to our iniquities.

But as the heaven is high above the earth : so great hath been His mercy towards us.

We found trouble and heaviness : we were even at death's door.

The waters of the sea had well nigh covered us : the proud waters had well-nigh gone over our soul.

The sea roared : and the stormy wind lifted up the waves thereof.

We were carried up as it were to heaven, and then down again into the deep : our soul melted within us because of trouble ;

Then cried we unto Thee, O Lord : and Thou didst deliver us out of our distress.

Blessed be Thy Name, Who didst not despise the prayer of Thy servants : but didst hear our cry, and hast saved us.

Thou didst send forth Thy commandment : and the windy storm ceased, and was turned *into a calm.*

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O let us therefore praise the Lord for His goodness: and declare the wonders that He doeth for the children of men.

Praised be the Lord daily: even the God that helpeth us, and poureth His benefits upon us.

He is our God, even the God of Whom cometh salvation: God is the Lord by Whom we have escaped death.

Thou, Lord, hast made us glad through the operation of Thy hands: and we will triumph in Thy praise.

Blessed be the Lord God: even the Lord God, Who only doeth wondrous things.

And blessed be the Name of His Majesty for ever: and let every one of us say Amen, Amen.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

¶ *Grace before meat.*

BLESS, O Lord, these things to our use, and us to Thy service, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Grace after meat.*

FOR this, and all His other mercies, God's Holy Name be praised. Amen.

“ Not every one that saith unto Me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the Kingdom of Heaven ; but he that doeth the will of My Father which is in Heaven.”

St. Matthew vii. 21.

“ Blessed are they that do His commandments, that they may have right to the Tree of Life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.”

“ For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.” *Revelation xxii. 14, 15.*





